CALIFORNIA STATE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT BOARD

INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: Report of the Chief Investment Officer	ITEM NUMBER: <u>15</u>
	ATTACHMENT(S): <u>3</u>
ACTION:	DATE OF MEETING: May 5, 1999
INFORMATION: X	PRESENTER(S): Mr. Mitchell

The following is a summary of the developments in the financial markets that have occurred between April 1, 1999 and April 19, 1999.

- 1. The yield on the 30 year U.S. Treasury bond is 5.57%.
- 2. The market level of the S&P 500 Index has increased from 1294 to 1324.
- 3. The U.S. dollar has strengthened as compared to the euro (108 to 106) while weakening as compared to the yen (120.76 to 117.90) and the pound sterling (1.60 to 1.62).
- 4. The Federal Reserve Board of Governors held a meeting on March 30, 1999. The Federal Reserve left the Fed Funds rate constant at 4.75% and discount rate at 4.50%. The Federal Reserve Board of Governors next scheduled meeting is on May 18, 1999.

Note: Attachments 1 and 2 are not available in electronic format at this time.

California State Teachers' Retirement System Internal S&P 500 Portfolio Performance

The California State Teachers' Retirement System's internally managed S&P 500 Portfolio (Portfolio) was \$1,245,524,919 as of March 31, 1999. Over the past twelve months, the Portfolio provided a total return of 18.49%. By comparison, the return of the Portfolio's benchmark, the S&P 500 Index, was 18.55%. The table below summarizes the returns and characteristics of the Portfolio versus its benchmark.

	Portfolio Return ¹	Index Return ²	Tracking Error
Since Inception 3/31/98	18.490%	18.550%	-0.060%
Portfolio Market Value Index Market Value P/E Ratio Dividend Yield	1,245 (\$ mil.) 10,513 (\$ bil.) 34.11 1.29		

¹ Portfolio return calculated by State Street Bank Analytics.

² The total return for the index was calculated by Wilshire Associates.